

REMARKS

No new matter has been added to the application by virtue of the present response.

Claims 1-16 are pending in the subject application, and all of such claims stand rejected. Claims 1, 10 and 12 have been amended. Claims 6 and 15 have been canceled. It is respectfully requested that the pending claims 1-5, 7-14 and 16 be reconsidered and passed to issuance in view of this response.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. 102(b) and 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4 and 9-11 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kecmer (U.S. Patent No. 4,914,55); claims 12 and 13 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kecmer as in claims 1-4 and 9; and claims 7,8 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kecmer in view of Good et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,267,614).

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. The Examiner has indicated that claims 5, 6, 14 and 15 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Regarding independent claim 1, Applicants have amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 6. Regarding independent claim 12, Applicants have amended claim 12 to include the limitations of claim 15.

The Examiner expressly stated that "... Regarding claim 6, the prior art does not suggest the apparatus (or corresponding method) as claimed, including the combination of all the claimed elements, the combination including a swell to contact the electronic chassis when the lever is moved from the second position to the first position during extraction." Applicants have amended independent claim 10 to include the limitation of "... a swell to contact the electronic

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chassis when the first or second lever is moved from the second position to the first position during extraction."

Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 1, 10 and 12, and claims dependent thereon, are in condition for allowance, and that the rejections to the claims under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) and 35 U.S.C. 103(a) have been overcome.

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CONCLUSION

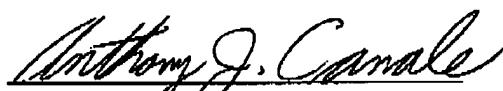
In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, all of the claims now presented are believed to be in condition for allowance, and Applicants respectfully request that the outstanding rejections be withdrawn and this application be passed to issue at an early date.

The Examiner is urged to call the undersigned at the number listed below if, in the Examiner's opinion, such a phone conference would aid in furthering the prosecution of this application. No fee is due by virtue of this amendment. However, if the PTO determines that a fee is required, please charge Applicants' Deposit Account, 09-0456. If any extensions or fees are not accounted for, such extension is requested and the associated fee should be charged to our deposit account.

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